

Preliminary Results
Regarding the Children and Youth Performance Outcome System
(Based on Data Received from Counties as of 10/6/98)

DESCRIPTION:

The following graphs provide a summary of the data received from counties throughout the state as of October 6, 1998. Preliminary results from this data indicate that children are indeed improving during the time they are receiving services from the public mental health system.

Based on comparisons of the intake, periodic and discharge administrations of the CAFAS scores, data appear to indicate the predicted service utilization for youth decreased dramatically; behavioral functioning improved significantly in the school and work, home and community settings; behavior toward others improved significantly; and impairments related to moods and emotions, self-harmful behavior, substance use, and thought problems decreased appropriately. The living environments reported for youth indicate a positive shift from the more restrictive living environments to home settings. Based upon the CBCL and YSR scores, data appear to indicate a reduction in the behavioral problems perceived by both the parent and youth. The CSQ-8 scores indicate parents are generally satisfied with the quality of service youth received from the public mental health system.

Note: The statewide data set represents an accumulation of unpaired administrations of the performance outcome instruments for clients receiving public mental health services for sixty days or longer and does not include data from every county in the state. Counties were only required to submit the first quarter's data for the time period covering April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998, however, some counties have sent cumulative data sets. The administration dates represented in this data set vary significantly by county and include administrations from as early as December 1992 through as late as September 1998.

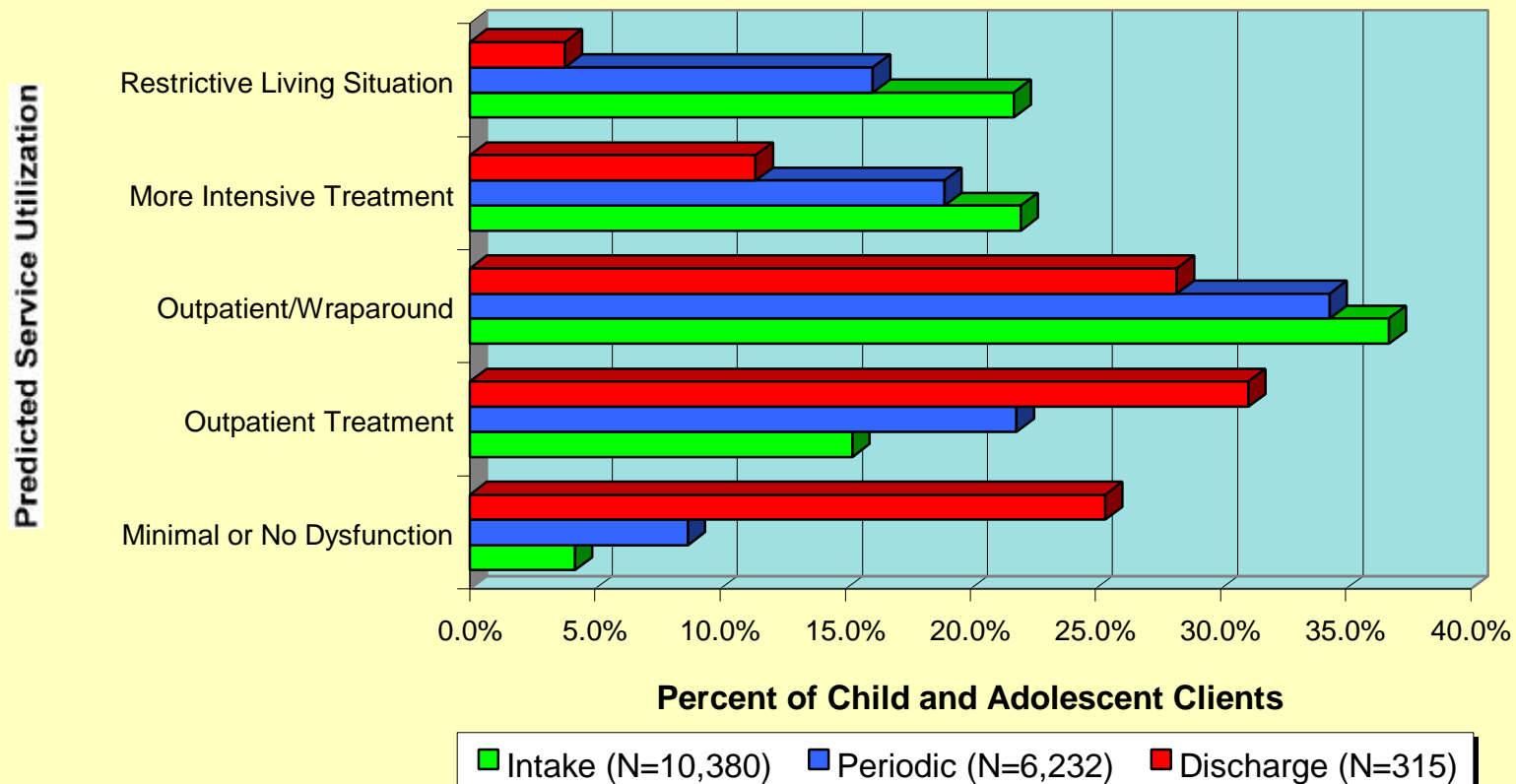
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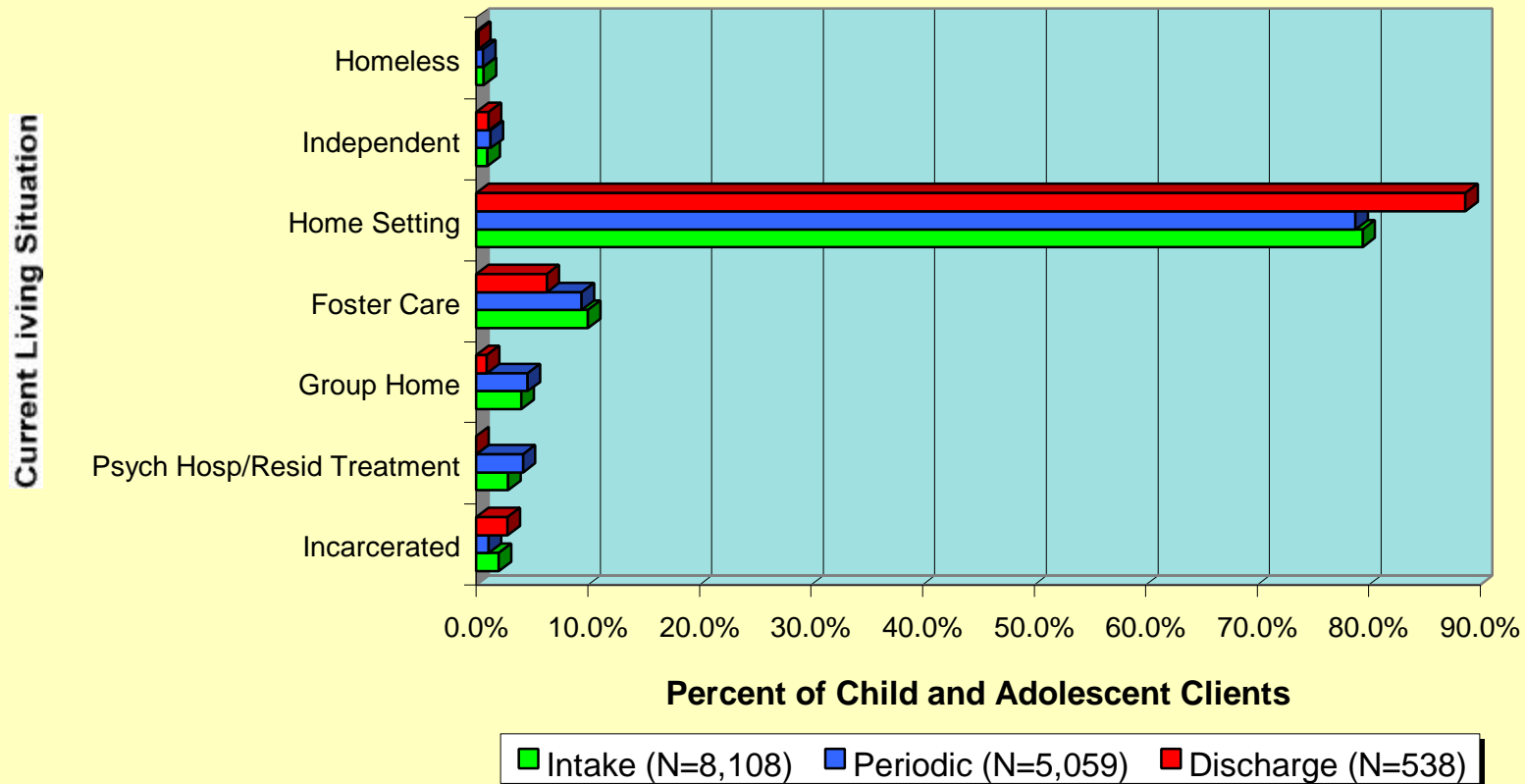
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Changes in Statewide* Predicted Service Utilization for Child and Adolescent Clients (Based on Total CAFAS Scores)



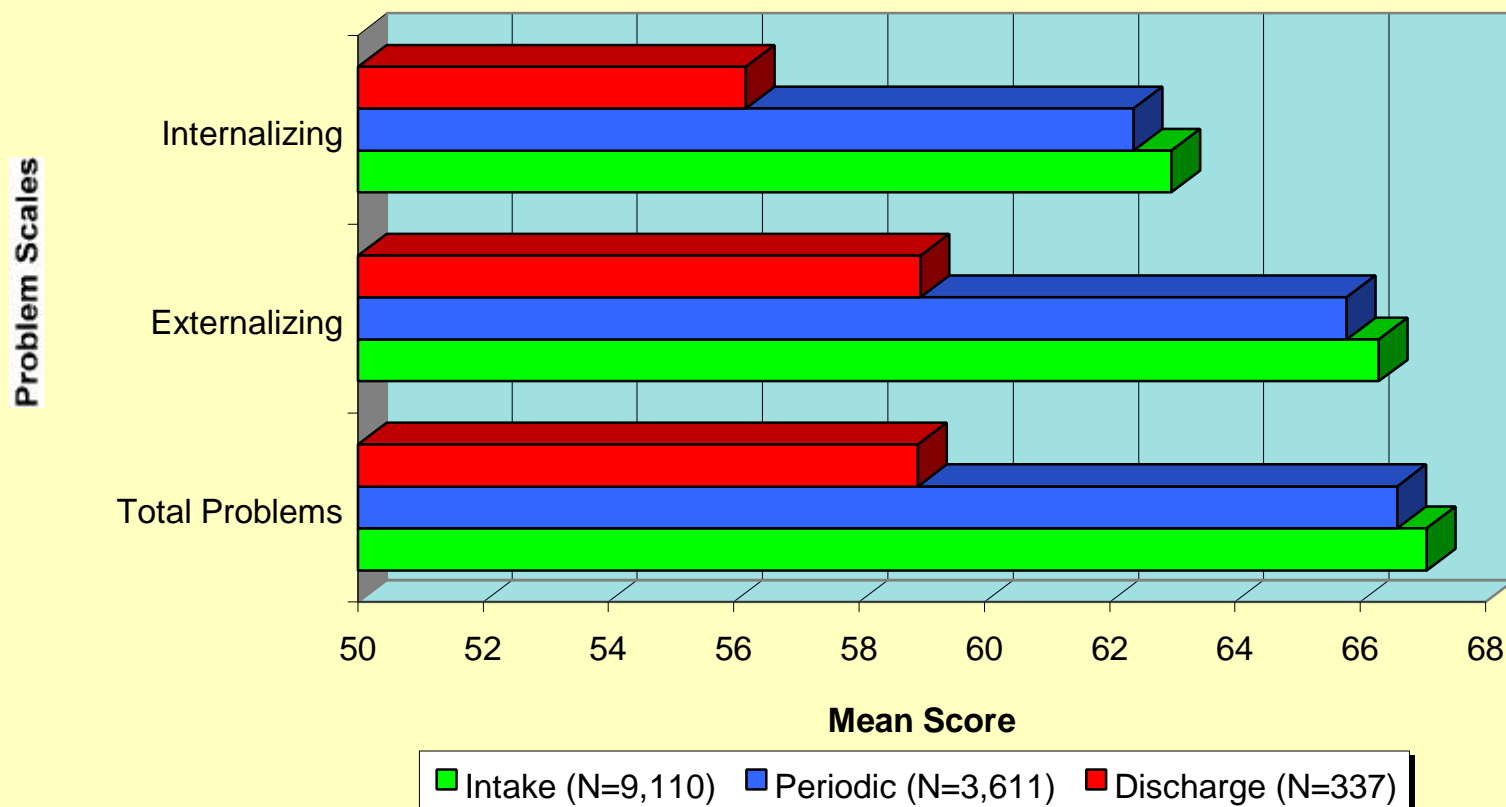
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate that the need for more intensive levels of services decreases dramatically during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system. These results also suggest improved quality of life for the children and the potential for long-term cost avoidance

Changes in Statewide* Current Living Situation for Child and Adolescent Clients



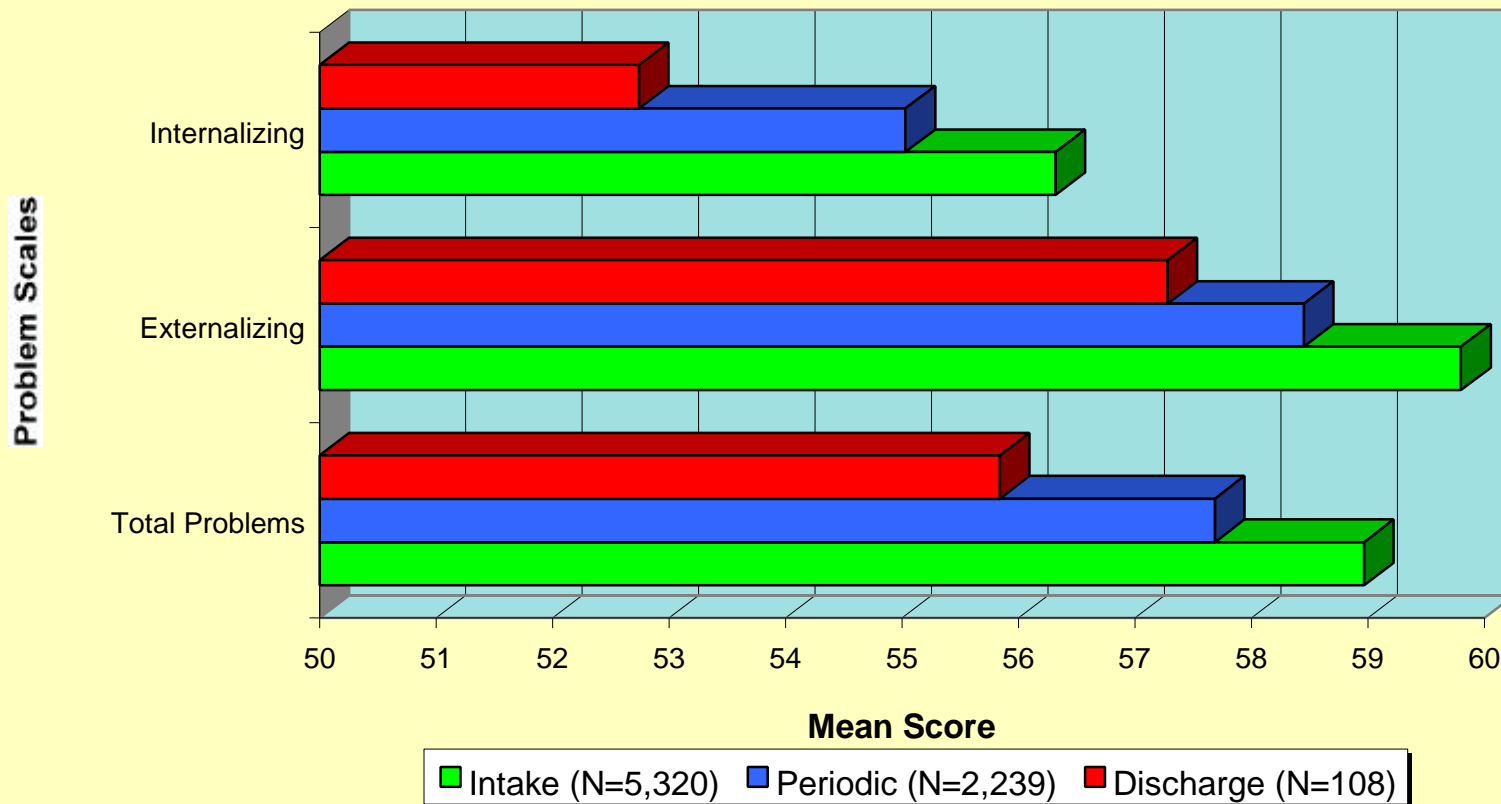
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a positive shift from more restrictive living environments (psychiatric hospitalization, residential treatment, group homes, foster care) to home settings during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system. However, there was also a small increase, although less than 1%, in the number of youth incarcerated at discharge.

**Parental Perceptions of Problems
for Child and Adolescent Clients Statewide*
(Based on the Child Behavior Checklist Scores)**



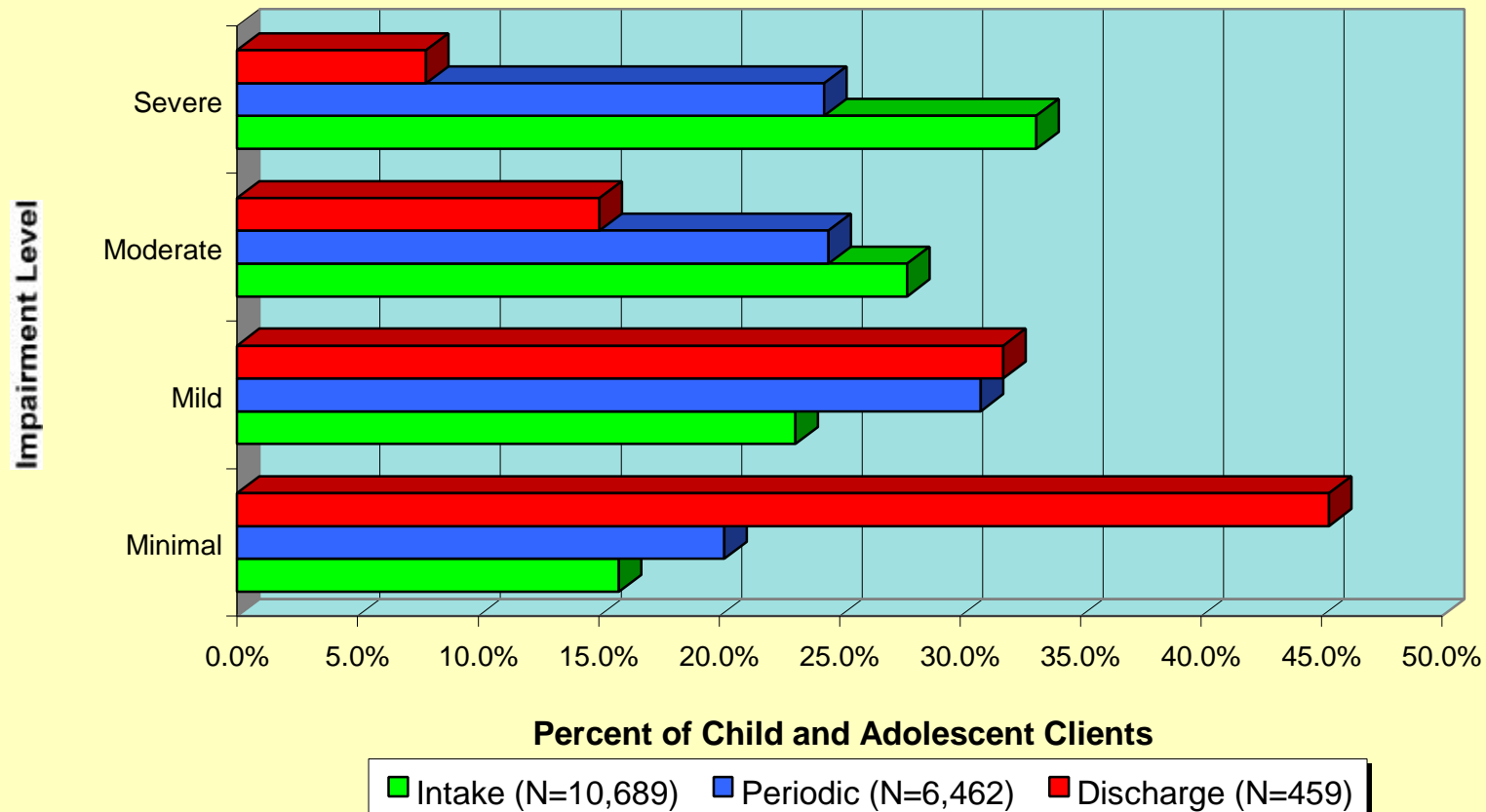
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a significant reduction in the behavioral problems of the youth as perceived by the parent between intake to and discharge from the public mental health system.

**Youth Perceptions of Problems
for Child and Adolescent Clients Statewide*
(Based on the Youth Self-Report Scores)**



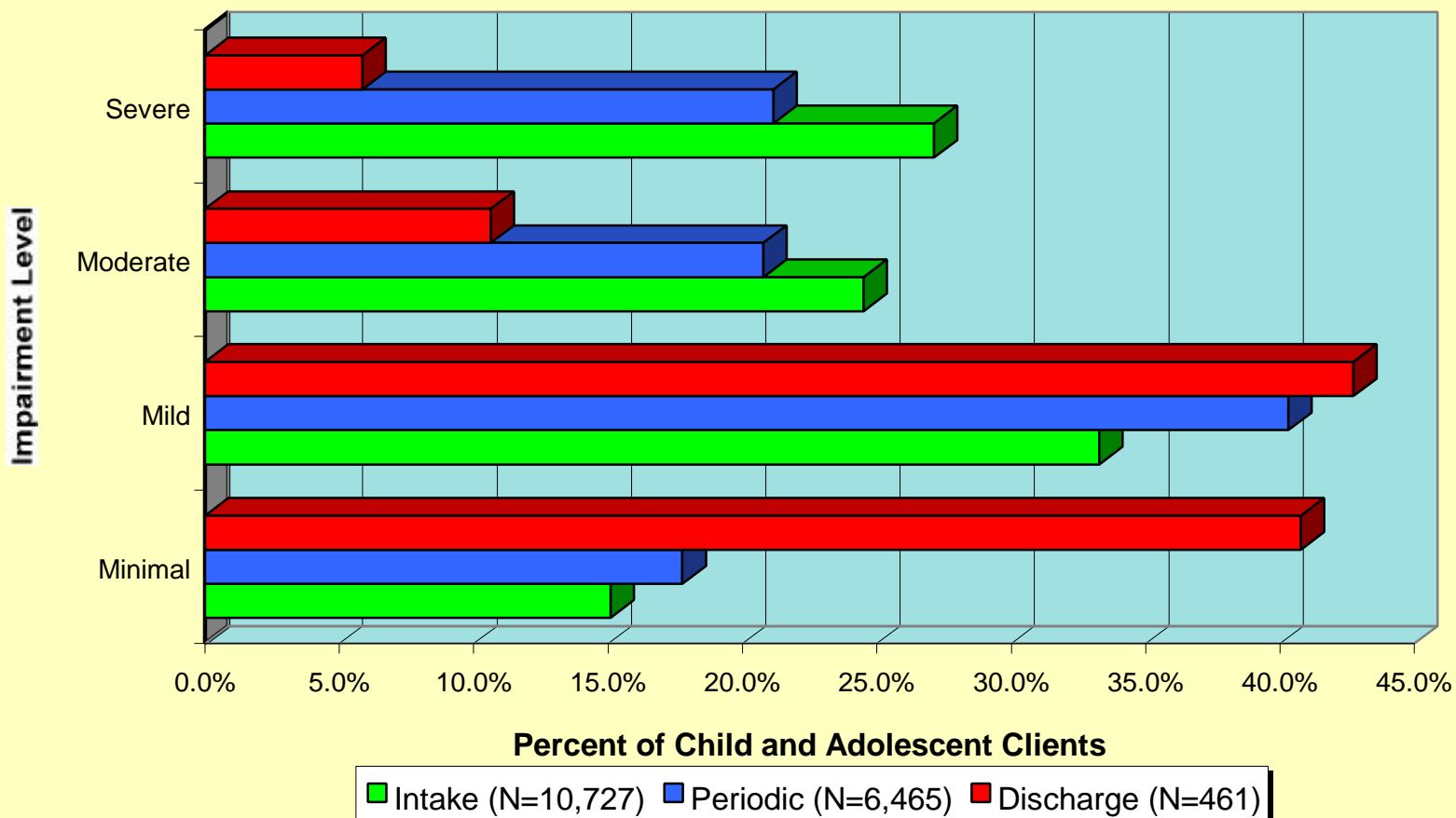
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a reduction in the behavioral problems of the youth as perceived by the youth between intake to and discharge from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in the School and Work Setting for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Role Performance - School/Work Scale)**



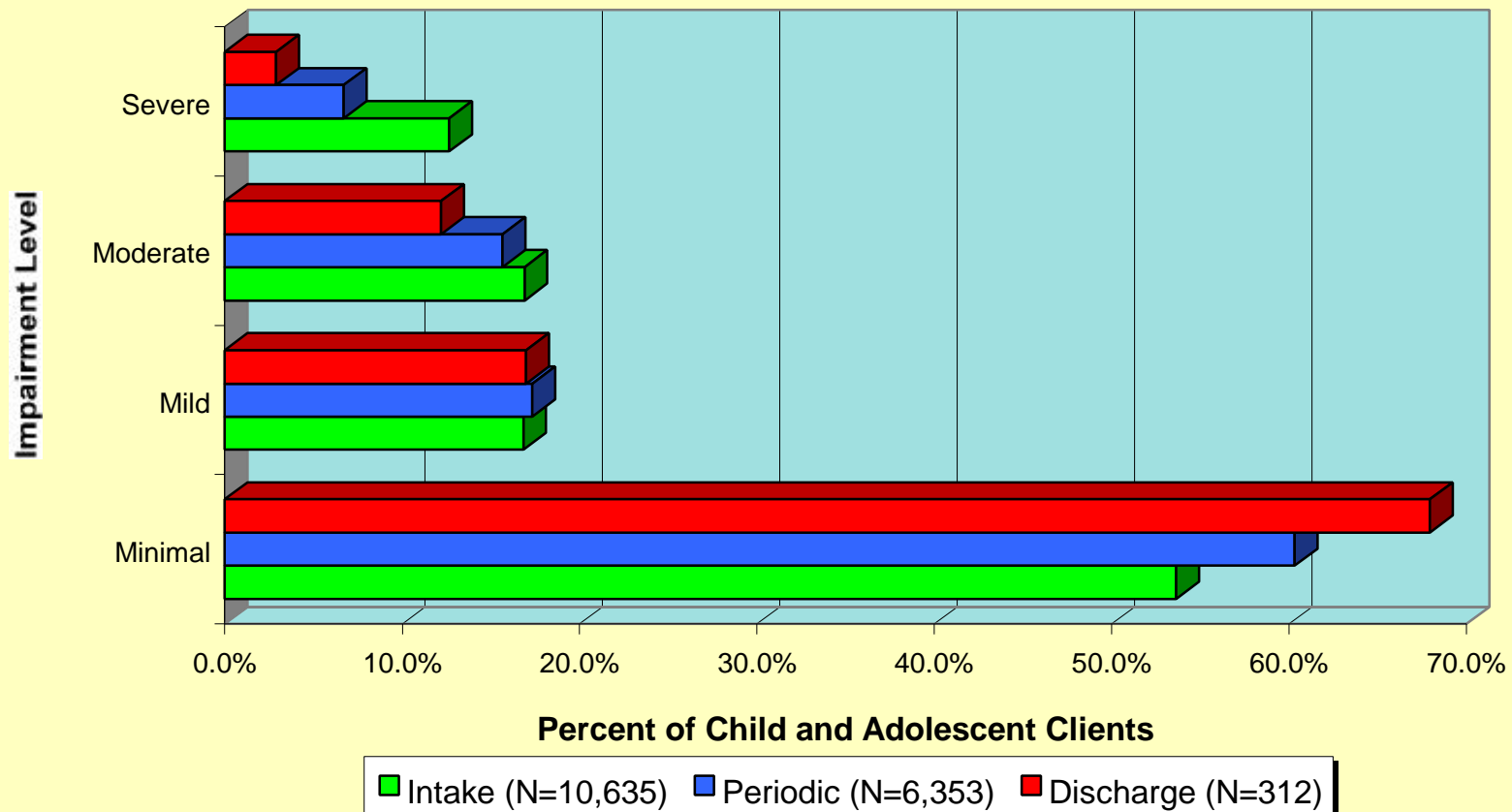
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a strong trend toward improved behavioral functioning in the school and work setting during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in the Home Setting for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Role Performance - Home Scale)**



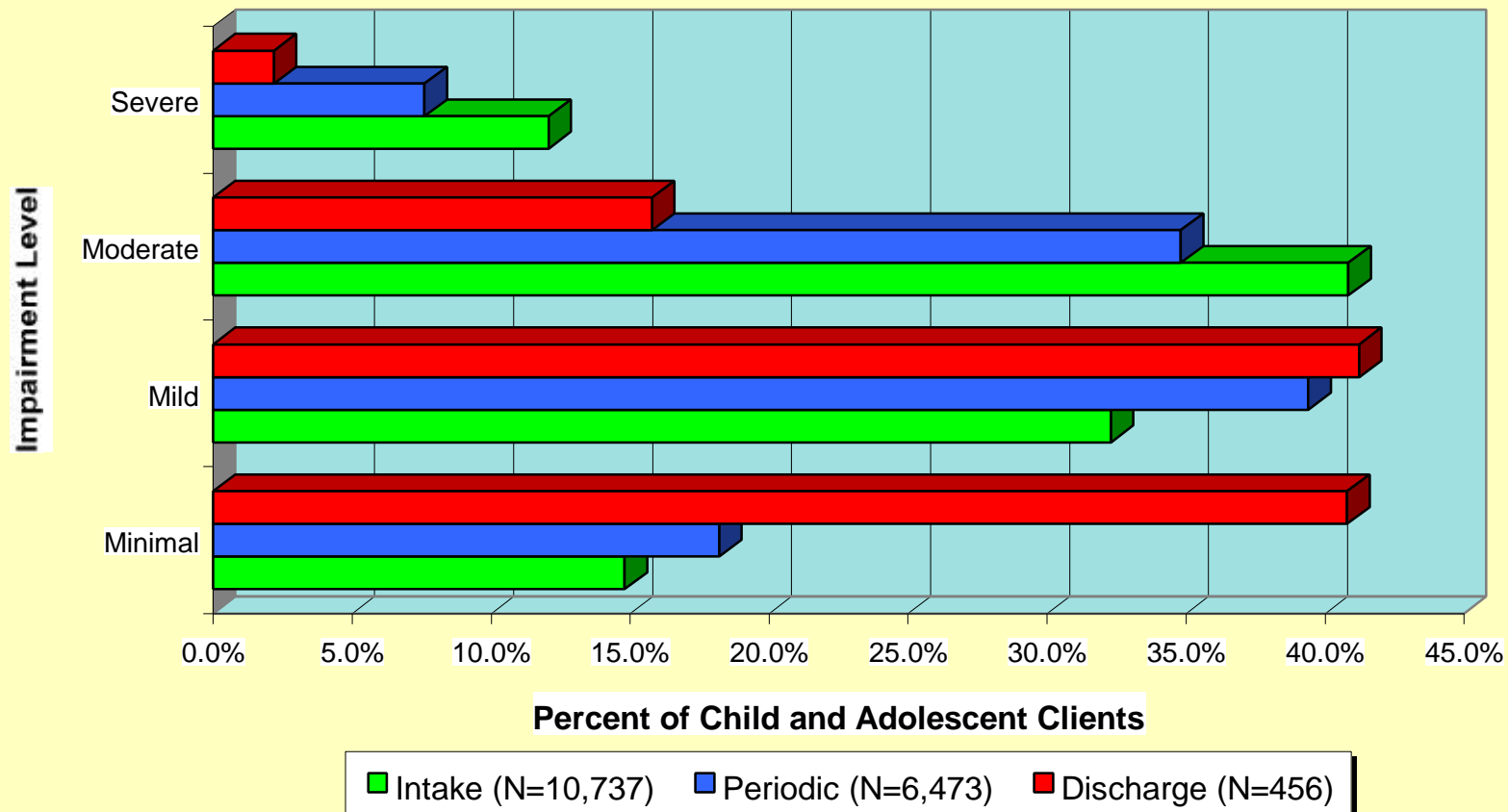
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a strong trend toward improved behavioral functioning in the home setting during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in the Community Setting for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Role Performance - Community Scale)**



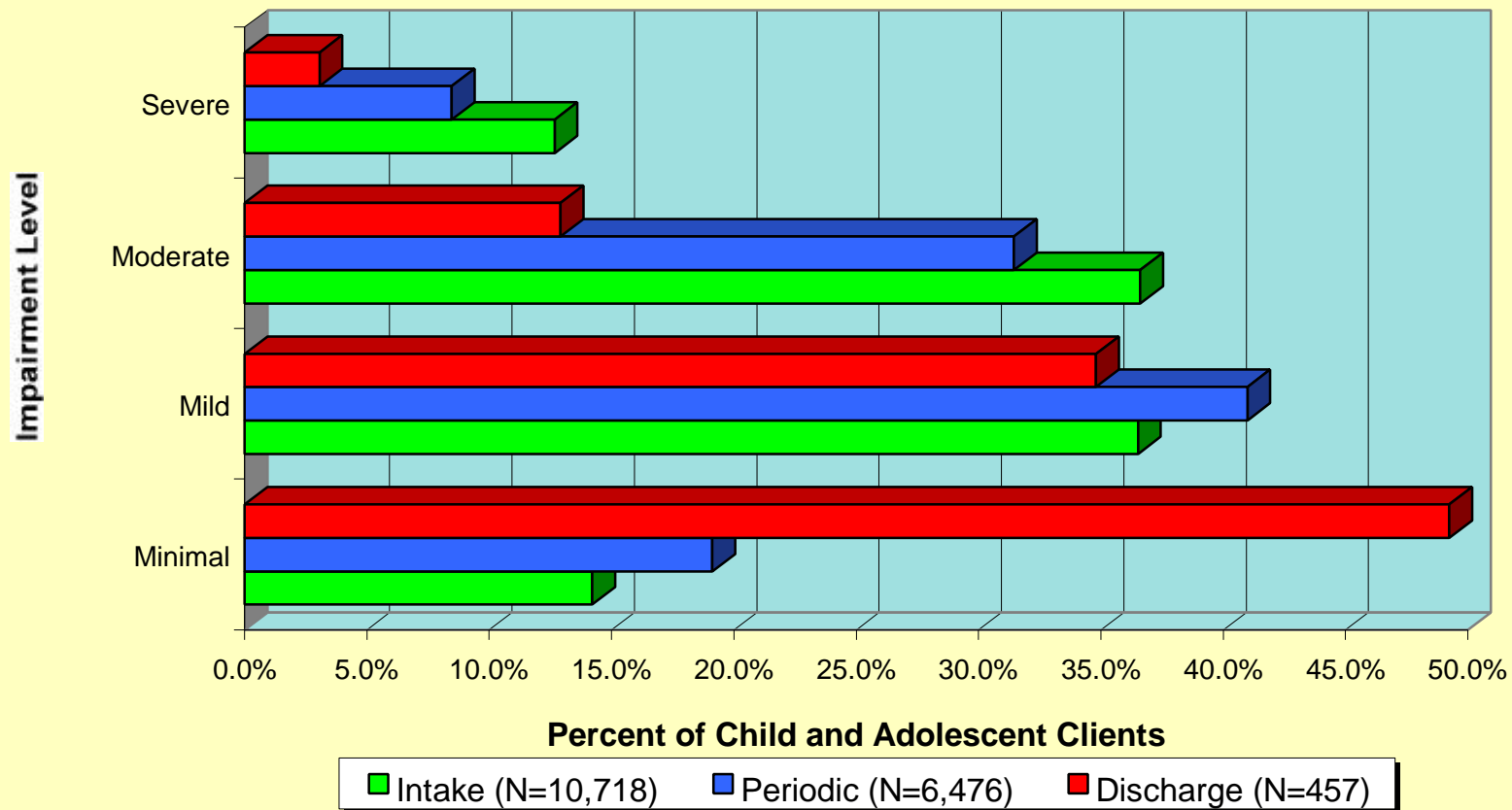
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a trend toward improved behavioral functioning in the community setting during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in Behavior Toward Others for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Behavior Toward Others Scale)**



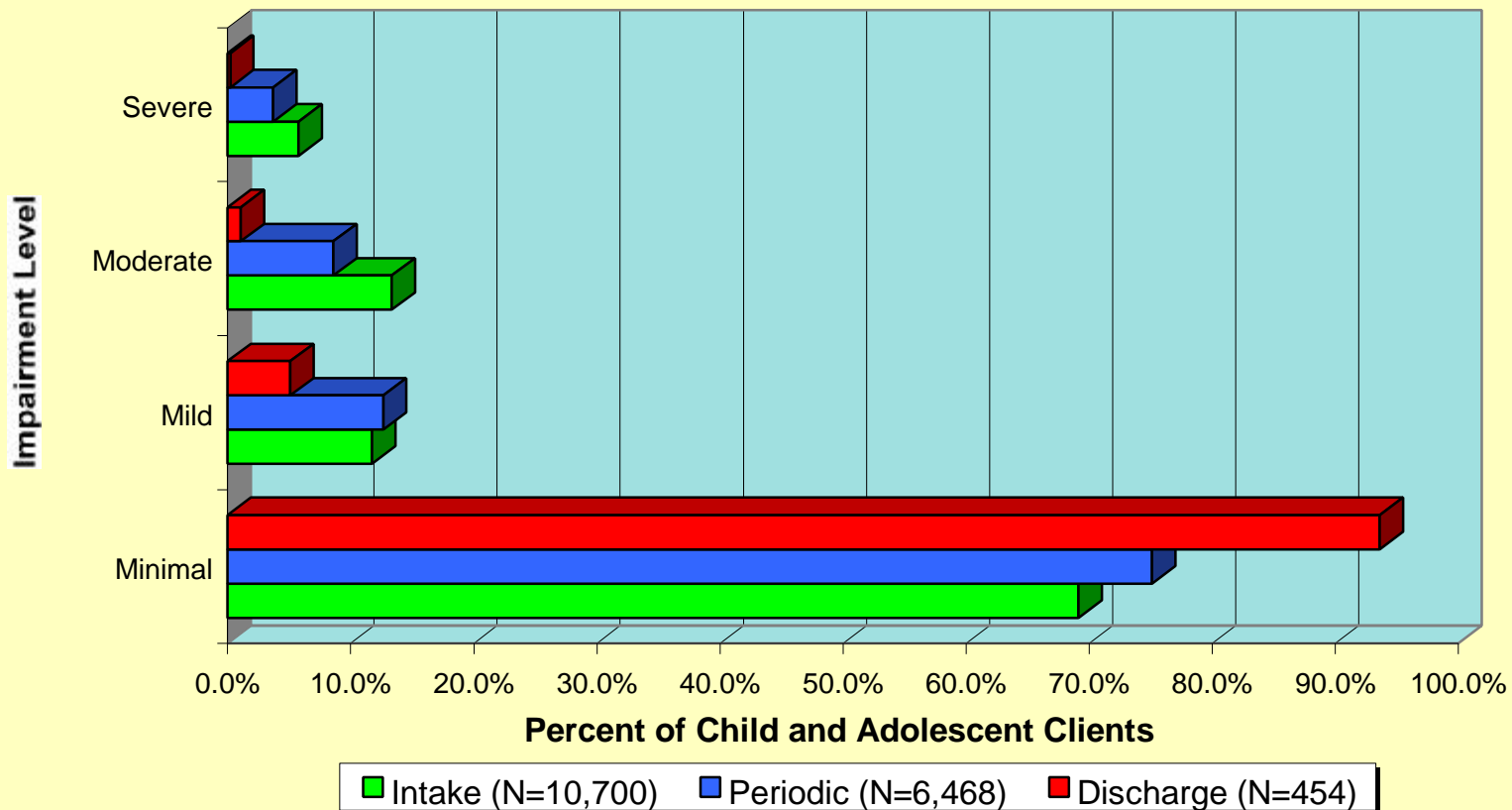
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a strong trend toward improved behavioral functioning in interactions with and behavior toward others during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in Moods and Emotions for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Moods/Self-Harm - Moods/Emotions Scale)**



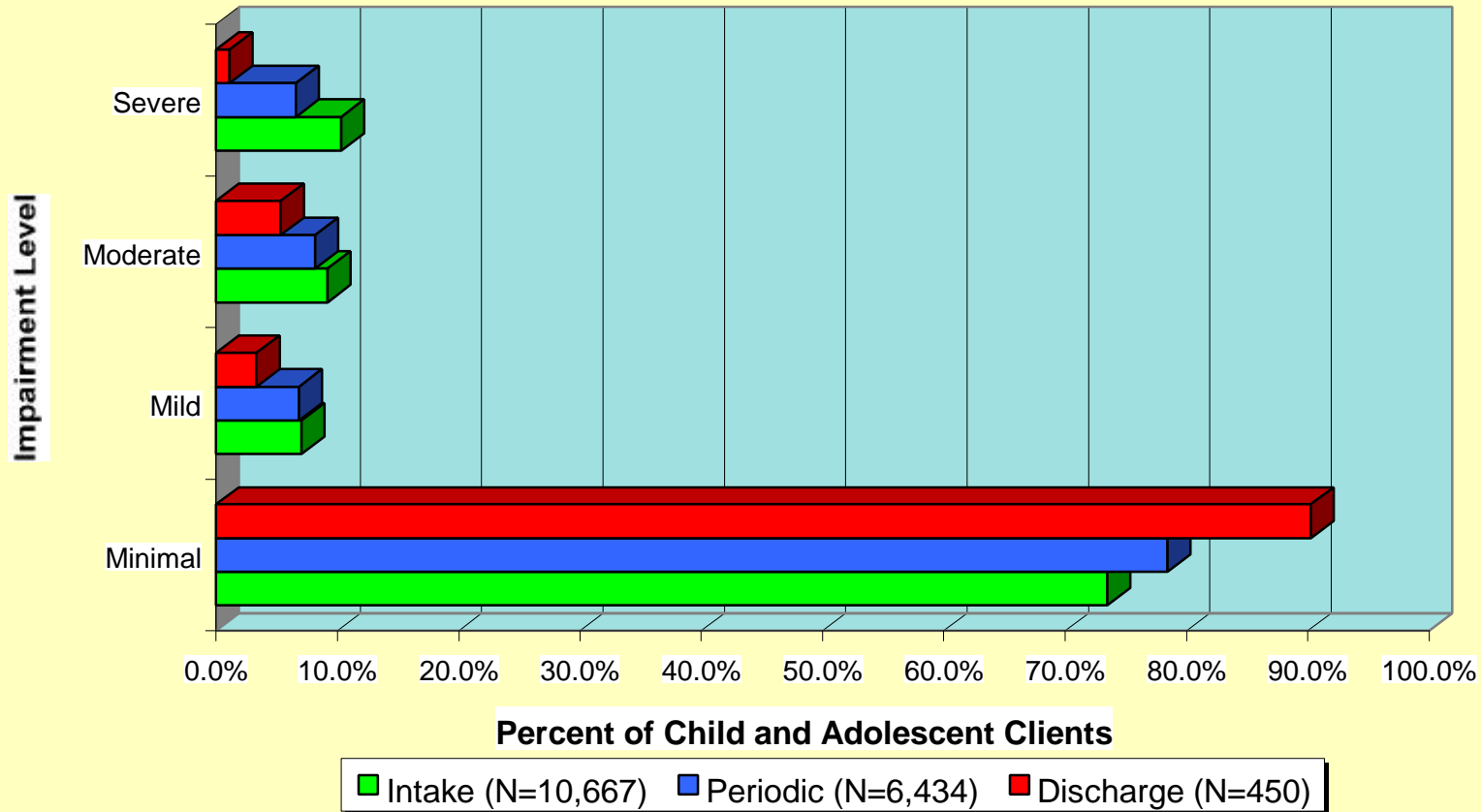
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a strong trend toward improved behavioral functioning with reductions in distress, incapacitation and/or disruptions resulting from moods and emotions during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in Self Harmful Behavior for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Moods/Self-Harm - Self Harmful Behavior Scale)**



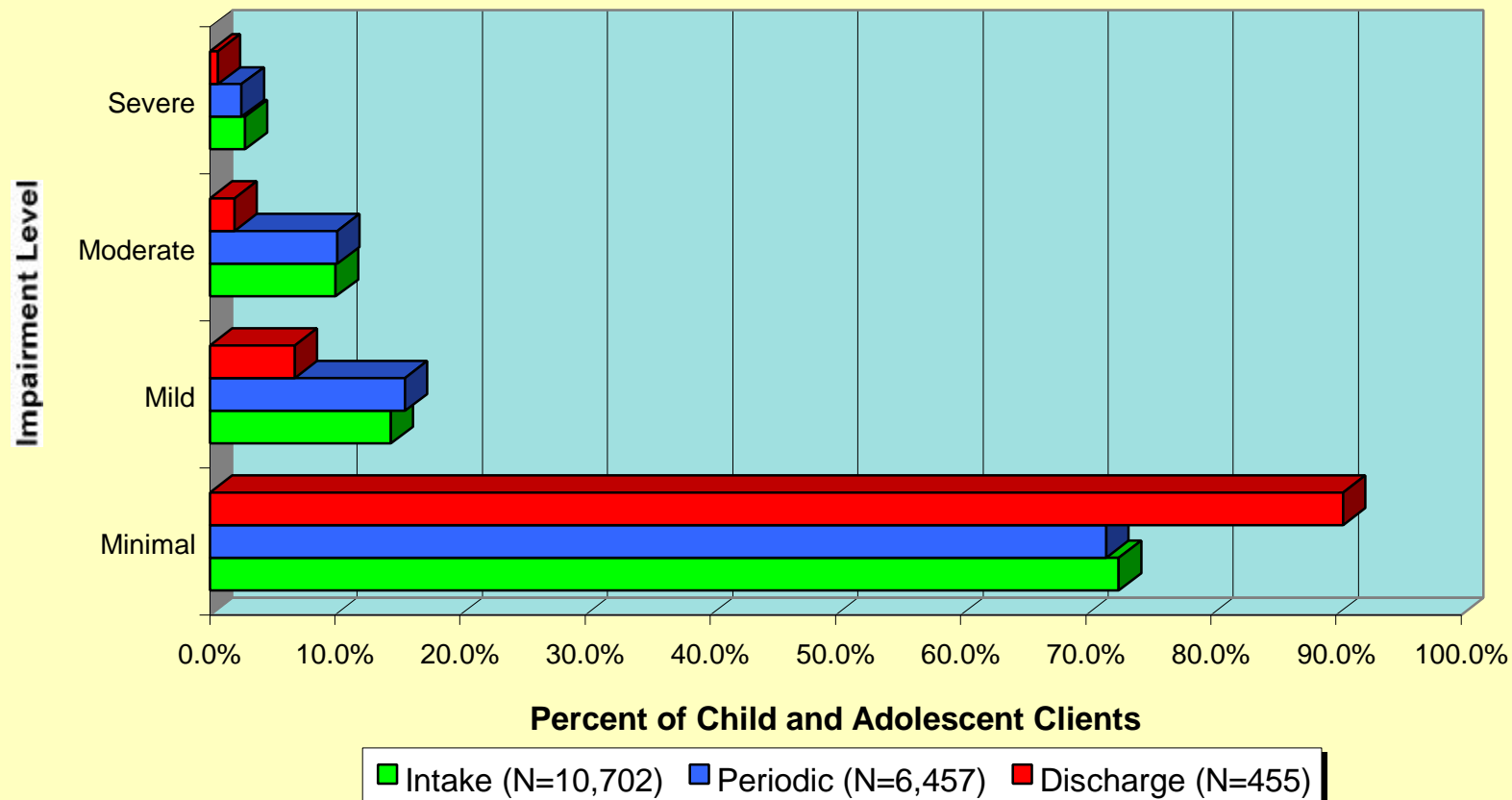
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a trend toward improved behavioral functioning with reductions in self-harmful behavior during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in Substance Use/Abuse for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Substance Use/Abuse Scale)**



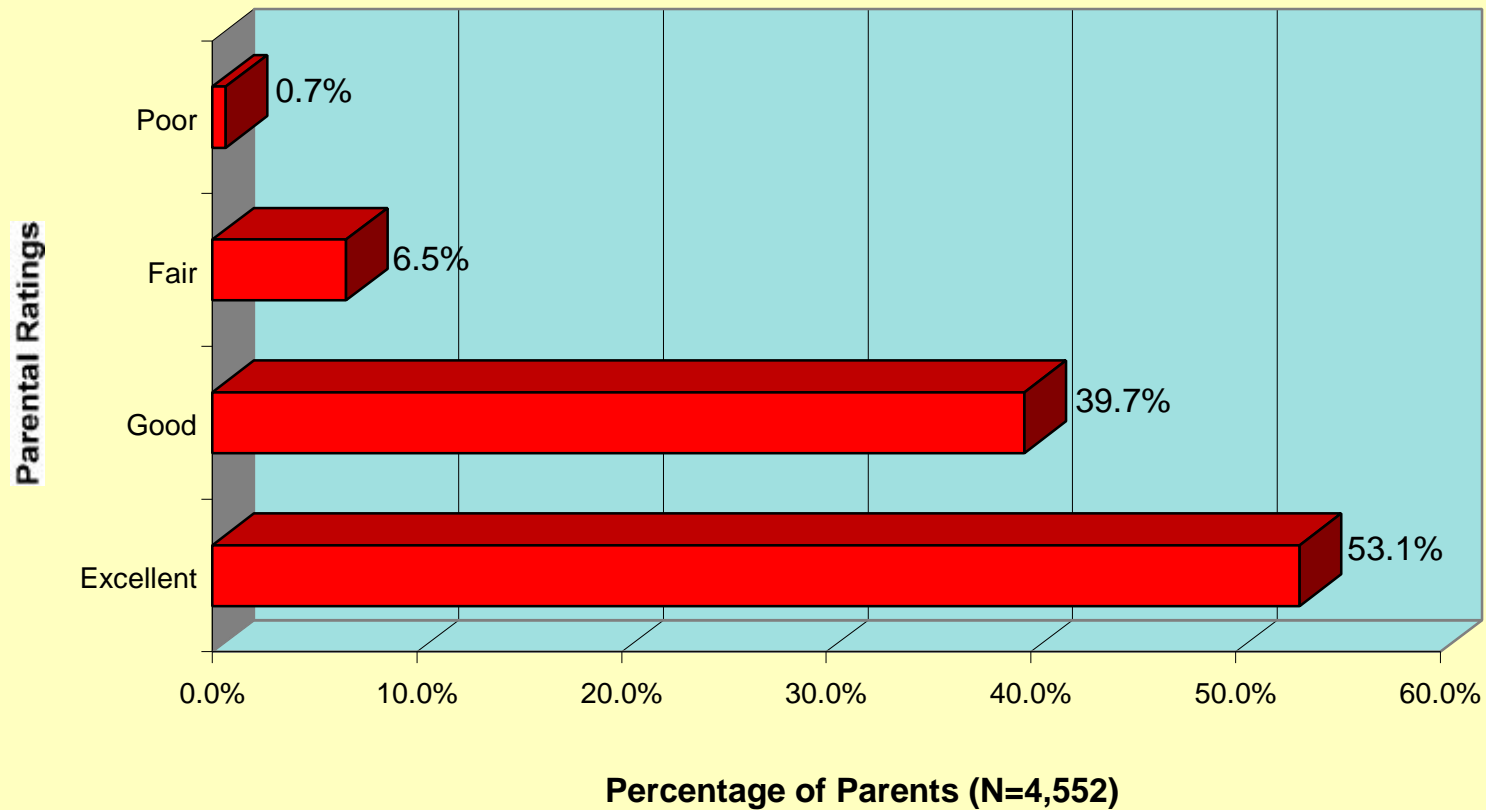
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a trend toward improved behavioral functioning with reductions in substance use/abuse behavior during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Changes in Statewide* Functional Impairment Levels
in Thinking Problems for Child and Adolescent Clients
(Based on the CAFAS Thinking Problems Scale)**



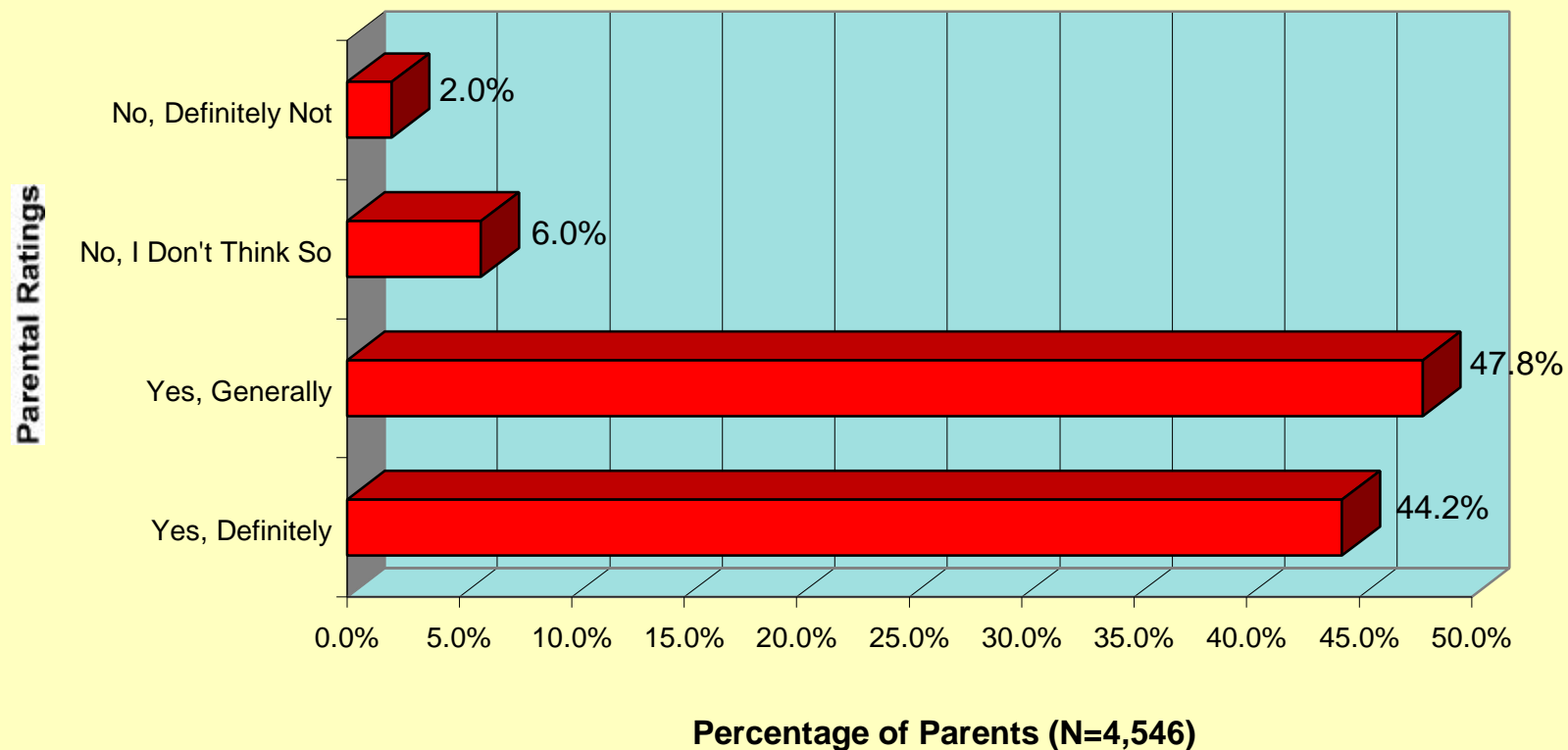
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate a trend toward improved behavioral functioning with reductions in distress, incapacitation and/or disruptions resulting from thought problems during the time clients are receiving services from the public mental health system.

**Statewide* Rating: Quality of Service
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)**



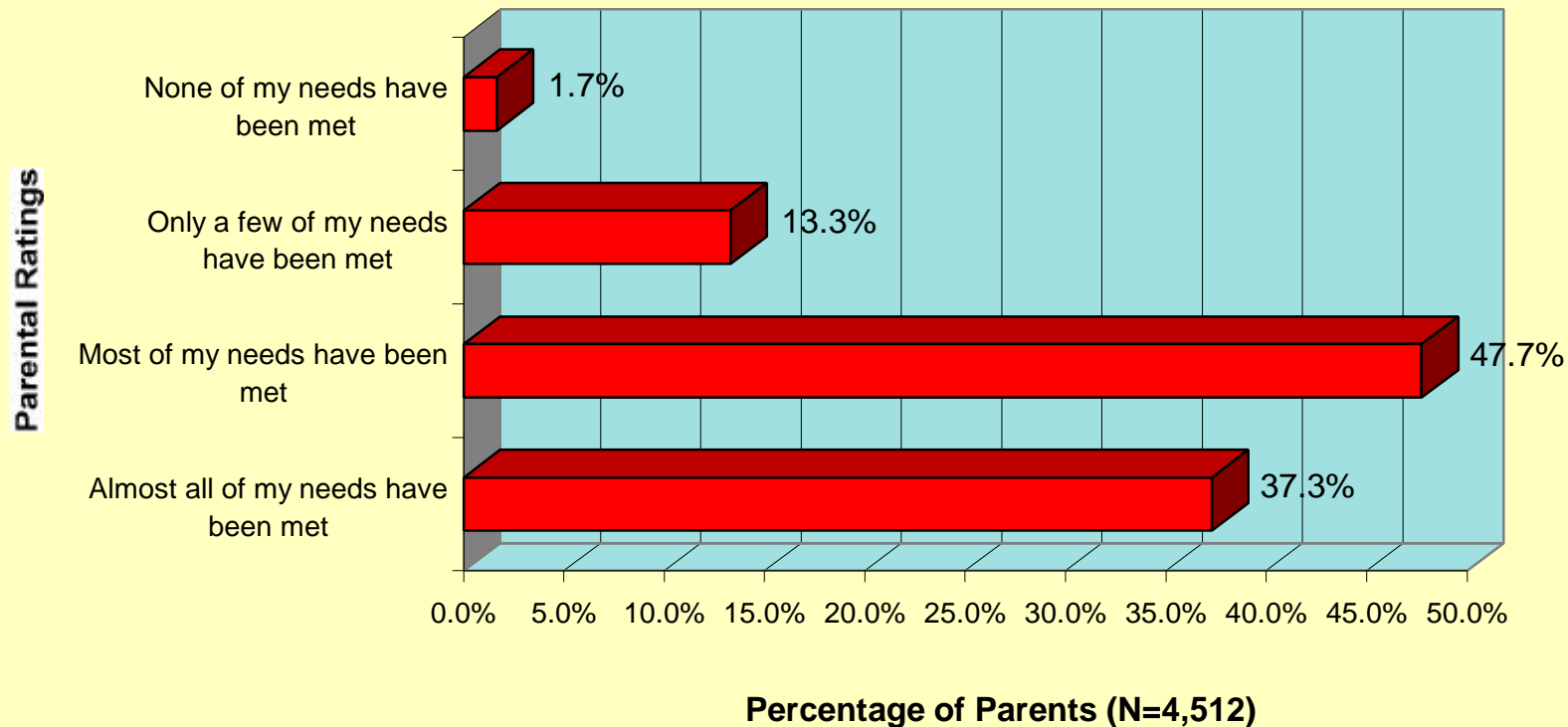
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate parents are very satisfied with the quality of service youth received from the public mental health system.

**Statewide* Rating: Were Desired Services Received?
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)**



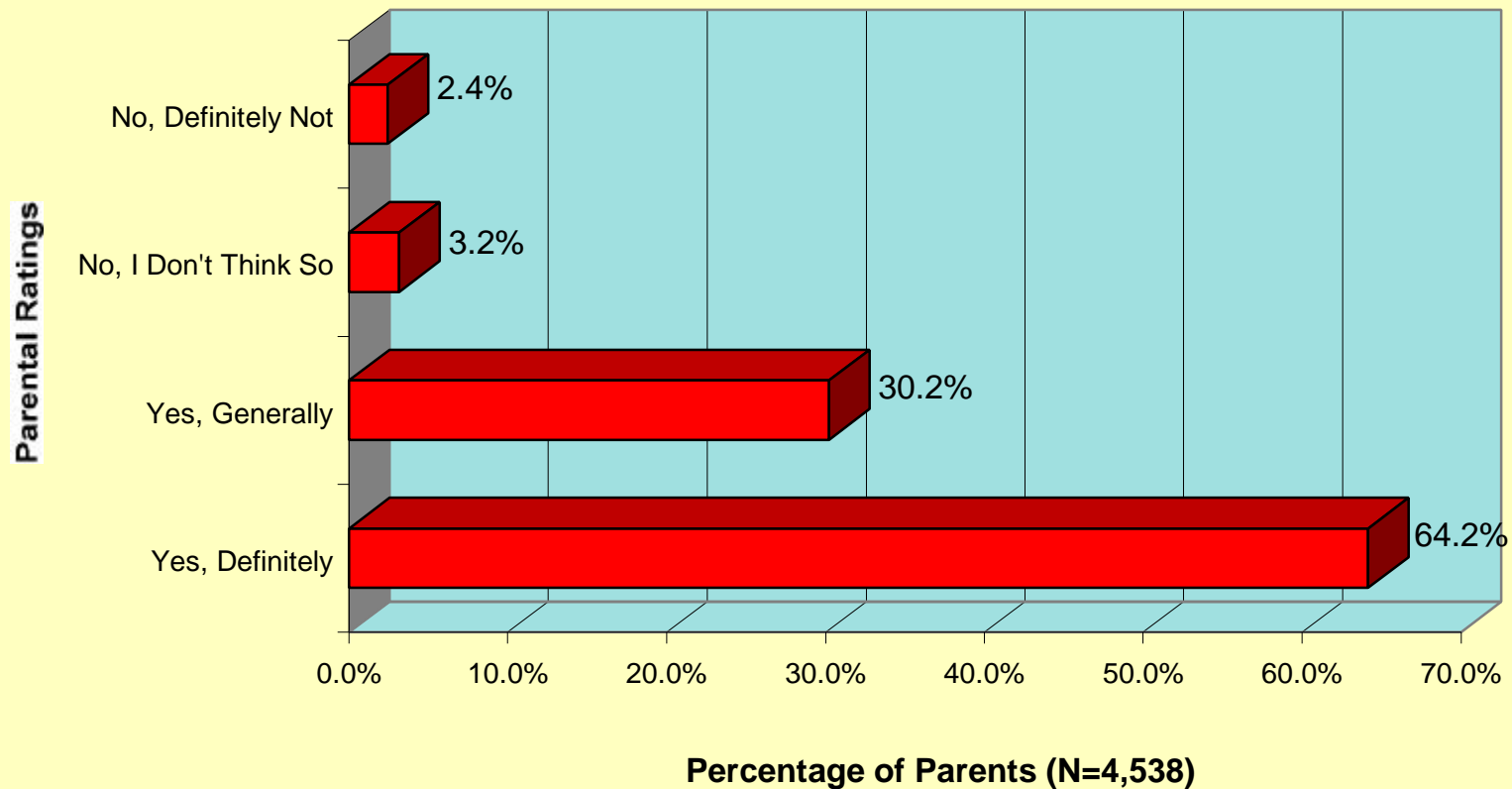
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate parents are very satisfied that the youth received the kinds of services that were desired from the public mental health system.

**Statewide* Rating: How Program Met Needs
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)**



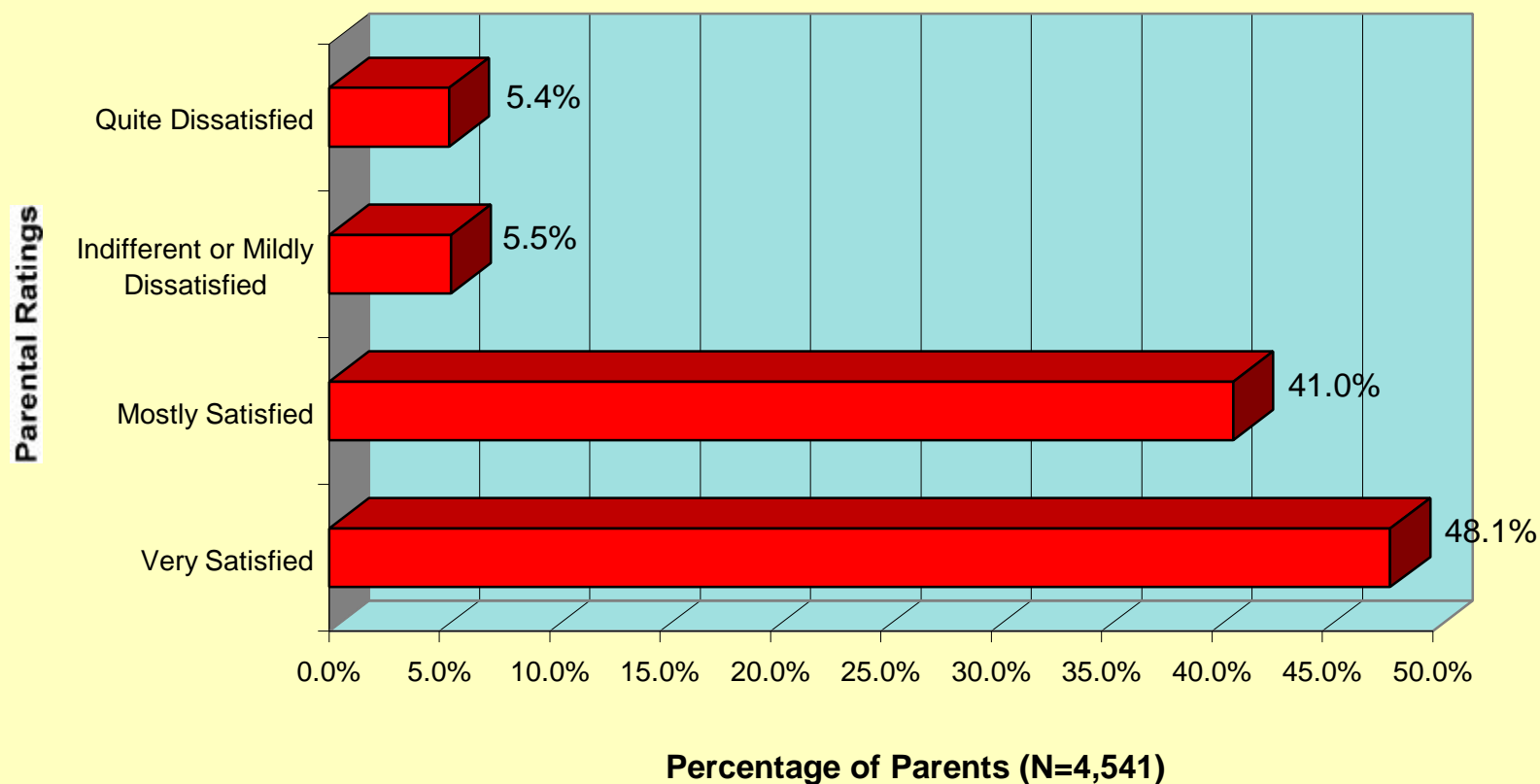
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate the majority of parents are satisfied that the public mental health system has met most of their needs.

Statewide* Rating: Would Recommend Program to Friend
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)



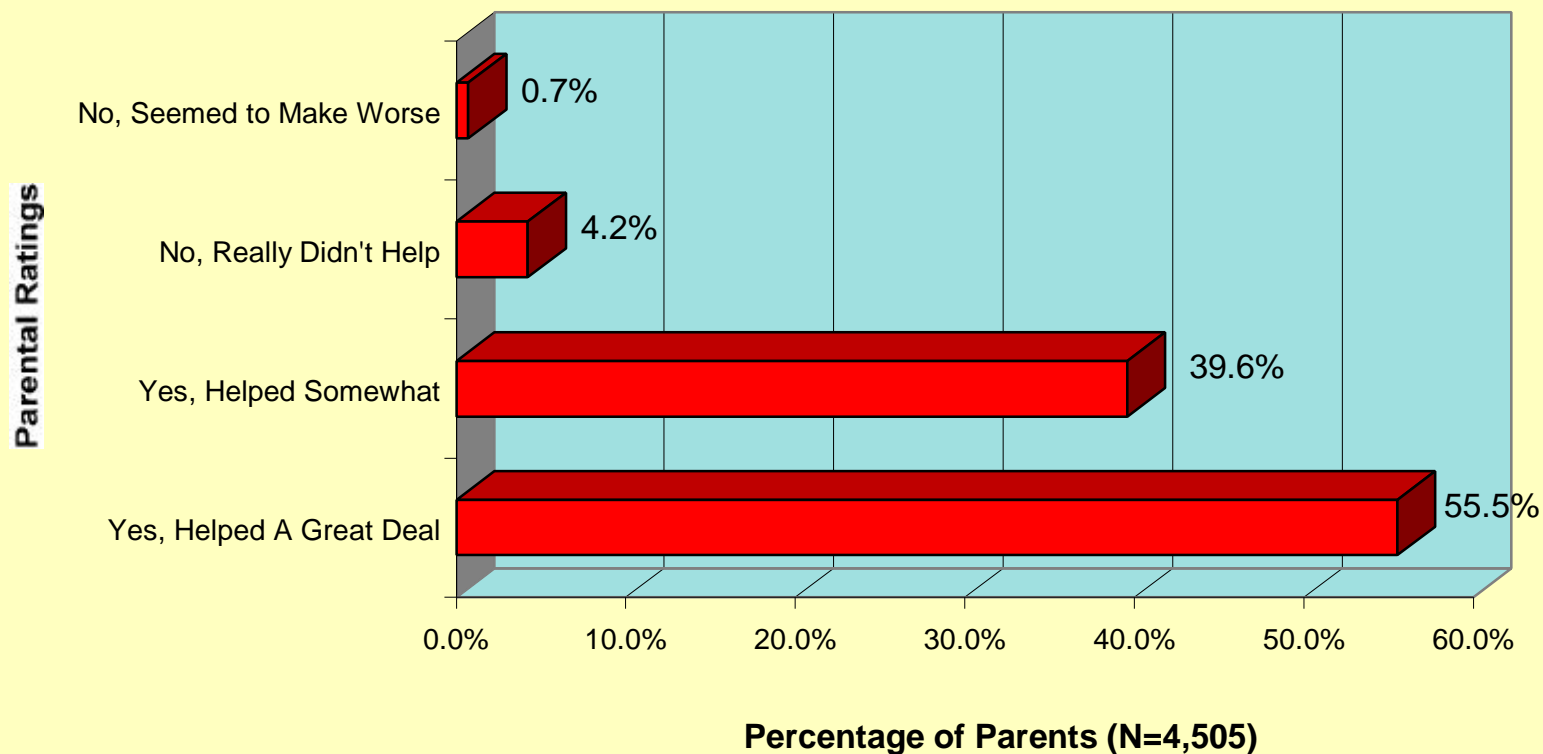
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate the majority of parents would recommend the public mental health system to a friend in need of similar

**Statewide* Rating: Satisfaction With the Amount of Help Received
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)**



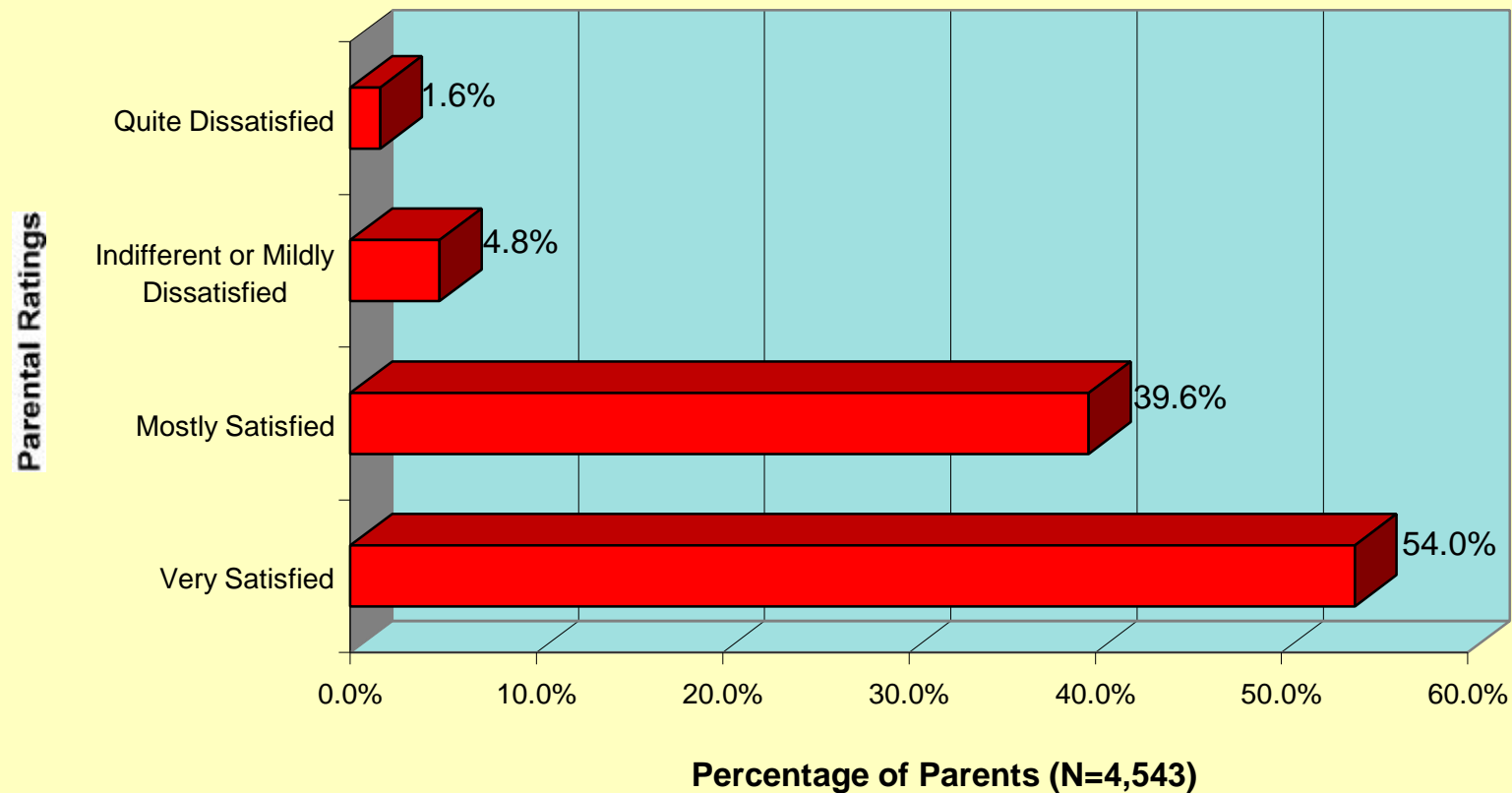
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate the majority of parents are satisfied with the amount of help received from the public mental health system.

Statewide* Rating: Services Have Helped to Deal With Problems More Effectively
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)



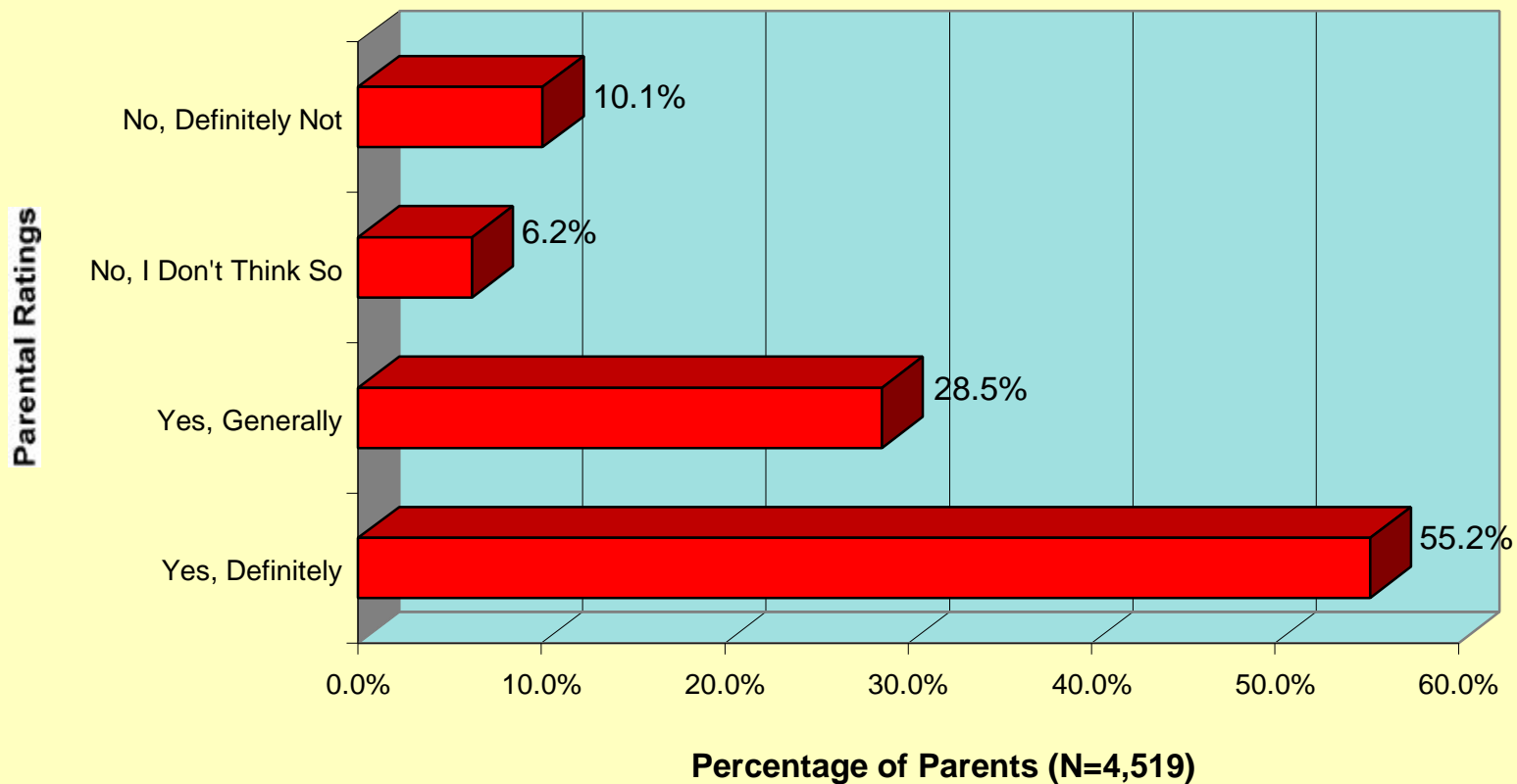
Preliminary Findings: Data indicate the majority of parents feel the services received from the public mental health system have helped in dealing more effectively with client problems.

**Statewide* Rating: Overall Satisfaction With Services
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)**



Preliminary Findings: Data indicate that in general, parents are satisfied with the overall services received from the public mental health system.

Statewide* Rating: If Seeking Help Again, Would Come Back to Program
Parental Rating of Child and Adolescent Services
(Based on Client Satisfaction Questionnaire Scores)



Preliminary Findings: Data indicate that the majority of parents would come back to the public mental health system program if they were to seek help again.